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Campus Crusade for Christ at Dartmouth College



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## God is doing **great things** at Dartmouth!

This week we are finishing up our school year at Dartmouth, and so we want to take a couple of minutes with you to celebrate just a few of the marvelous things He's done this year in the lives of Dartmouth students we know.

*All students names have been changed to protect their privacy.*

- **Richard** came to Dartmouth as an exchange student who had been running from God, out of shame and bitterness, for years. His life was dramatically changed this spring when he finally accepted that God was with him in his painful past.
- About a year ago **Emily** woke up and realized that she had been living an incredibly selfish existence. Ever since then Emily has been asking spiritual questions of everyone she knows, trying to figure out what's true about life's meaning and God.
- **Rebecca**, to her own surprise, came to believe in Jesus as her Savior this year as she talked with Sarah and watched how He was working in Sarah's life.
- **Rachel**, a freshman, is Jewish but came to campus interested in learning more about Jesus. As she's studied the Bible this year she has increasingly found Jesus to be fascinating and compelling.
- A few months ago **Dave**, who has been a hardened atheist for years, started to see strange "coincidences" and for some reason began to wonder if he was right in believing that there is no God. He has been coming to Faye's investigative Bible study for weeks now.
- **Kim's** faith in Christ fell apart her freshman year and she has spent the past three years waffling and trying to ignore the confusion and emptiness she feels inside. The investigative Bible study this year has been her life-line, the only time during the week that she makes the commitment to think deeply about her questions. She is becoming more and more sure that she does believe that God exists, and that Jesus is probably His Son.
- **Jennifer** spent the fall and winter asking deep questions about God of her friends and a Christian professor, and reading numerous books about God. At the end of the winter term she began to tell her teammates that she had become a Christian.
- God brought **Peter**, a German exchange student, to Dartmouth this year. We have rarely seen a student lend more behind-the-scenes, deeply encouraging leadership. God has used him to strengthen the faith of dozens of students and even our staff team.



## Please pray for our summer!

Next weekend we are headed off to Acadia National Park for our month-long summer project! **We will be in Acadia until June 19th, working with the Lifelines ministry.** The first two weeks will be only staff, focused on training and developing staff, both so we'll be able to lead the students well during the 2nd half of the project, and so that we'll be equipped to bring this kind of ministry back to campus during the normal school year.

Lifelines focuses on helping people grow in relationship with God and one other, in character and in leadership. We'll do that this summer by going (and taking students) on outdoor adventures, like rock climbing and mountain biking, not just for fun, but to be challenged in how we think about ourselves, others and God as we take physical, emotional and relational risks. We are really excited about this summer, for the fun it's sure to be, for the growth it will produce in us, and for the training to be able to do this kind of ministry in the wilderness around Dartmouth.

**We're very tired and worn out from the year, so we'd welcome your prayers for God to give us energy, soft hearts to how He wants to change us, and an eagerness to be used in others' lives.**